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Title: Need to establish National Highways Protection Security Force.

DR. THOKCHOM MEINYA (INNER MANIPUR): There is an ongoing economic blockade at National Highways of Manipur by United Naga Council (UNC) since November 1. People of the state are facing insurmountable hardships. The prices of essential commodities have sky-rocketed. Petrol per litre costs more than Rs. 300 and there is no stock of petrol and diesel in the state. Schools are closed for want of fuel for the School vans. The situation is getting worse every day. Economic blockade is not the right way, it has created hatred among us, let us stop it.

I demand for the establishment of dedicated National Highways Protection Security Forces to regulate 24x7 smooth flow of vehicles for passengers and goods. There is an absolute necessity for such forces. A handful of goons cannot hold the lives and properties of citizens to ransom.

I urge the Union Government to immediately intervene and help the State Government to mitigate the situation before it is too late.